Languedoc Culture Attaches Modern Civilization to Elvis!
“He taught us medicine, engineering, how to make fried peanut butter, and this nifty code,” local man attests.

The Playfair Cipher
The Playfair cipher encodes words and messages with the use of a 5x5 grid that contains each letter of the alphabet once (I and J occupy the same square and are considered interchangeable). A specific keyword, n letters long with no repeating letters, is chosen. Moving left to right and top to bottom, the first n spaces of the grid are filled with the keyword. Then the rest of the grid is filled with the remainder of the alphabet in order.

How text is encoded:
The text is broken into two-letter pairs. Proper spacing and punctuation is noted. If a letter is repeated within a two-letter block, a dummy letter (X or Q) is inserted between them. If the message ends with a single letter, a dummy letter is added to the end. Then each letter pair is located within the Playfair grid and encoded as follows:

- **The two letters occupy different rows and different columns.** The letters are treated as two corners of a rectangle. They are replaced by the letters that form the other two corners of the rectangle. Our convention is to match top corner to bottom corner, bottom corner to top corner.

  - ABCDE
  - A → BC, AD → CB
  - C → BD, not DA

- **The two letters occupy the same row and different columns.** Each letter is replaced by the letter directly to its right. At the right edge of the grid, wrap around to the left edge.

  - ABCDE
  - B → CE, DE → EA

- **The two letters occupy the same column and different rows.** Each letter is replaced by the letter directly above it. If an original letter lies at the top of a column, wrap around to the bottom letter.

  - ABCDE
  - A → BC
  - B → CA, BD

Decoding the closely-related list items:
WITH ROBIN GONE, ELVIS DOUBLES AS BATMAN'S PARTNER!
Dynamic Duo thwarts the Penguin and Two-Face; shown below is a clue reportedly dropped by the Riddler.

ACROSS
1 Substance found in veins
2 "That's disgusting!"
3 "A million and one ___"
4 Cape
5 Chef Boyardee packaging
6 Coral island
7 Chef Boyardee cuisine
8 Search through (with into)
9 Fleming
10 Test you need a #2 pencil for
11 2 Big shot
12 End
13 That yacht
14 Crack-wise
15 Dhabi
16 Press
17 Fortress
18 30 Temperament
19 Organ near the stomach
20 December drink
21 Pack down
22 Young man
23 January honoree
24 ___ mode
25 Anvil location
26 Chasm
27 Playthings that have tails
28 Part of a general manager's job
29 Siskel's partner
30 In what way
31 Catch
32 Large cut of beef
33 Tokyo tender
34 Neon competitor
35 Paul Buchman's cousin
36 Fly sort
37 Fresh
38 Bridget Copley or one of her Yale classmates
39 Tickle Me Elmo, for example
40 TNT relative
41 Lamebrained
42 Emulated Forrest Gump
43 Wolf kin
44 Type of cat my grandmother had
45 Proceeds
46 Saturn ancestor
47 Celebrated
48 Beverly Hills 90210 fraternity
49 Understand
50 Hock
51 Chill
52 Mouth
53 Homer's neighbor
54 Wolf down

DOWN
1 Did you hear the one about the...?
2 Immediately
3 Horses' houses
4 Jerk
5 Morning star?
6 Paul McCartney, eg.
7 Space station
8 Excessively plump
9 Yearns (for)
10 Comforts
11 Delta rival
12 Color
13 Dandy
14 Computer type
15 Computer type
3) SEQUINED ELVIS CLOAK ENSHRINED IN SMITHSONIAN!

Secrets of its space-age polymers revealed when this slip of paper fell out of a pocket.

Find the missing numbers, concatenate them together, then convert to letters (A = 1, B-2, etc.)

311, 202, 146, 179, 284, 270, 367,
478, 362, 459, 542, 638, 747, 630,
724, 829, 716, __, __, __, ___
4) ACCORDING TO MAFIOSI, MOLE ONLY WANTED A
SCARF FROM THE KING!
Exposed deep-cover agent refuses to crack under brutal police and CIA interrogation.

He is known by the same name as his character on JAG.
This popular eatery left Lobbell last year.
Three presidents died on this date.
His last words were "bituminous coal."
This NFL legend was a high school coach of a high school coach of Bill Parcells.
This dormitory is considered temporary housing by MIT, but will remain for at least ten years.
It was the most popular card game in the United States from 1951 to 1953.
Seung chang ngau yako geui moba jeung tsap yeung chung gaap cheng gwa jee see sang choi ga jee ma yan-yan sik gwo siu ha-ha.
She has been married to Ken, Joe, Johnny, Dr. Colosus, and Steve Austin.
HAL was activated on this date.
"You are not here by mistake."
This NBA player's mother was once a roommate of Hillary Rodham.
He was dead, but he's better now. He will stop in about twenty years.
The main sources of this bean are Indonesia and Madagascar.
The longest day of 1995.
"A frat without a keg is like an ocean without water."
The shortest player ever to score 50 points in an NBA game.
The Tour Sans Fins will be in this country in 2001, and on this continent in 2005.
In order to make the playoffs, this team had to beat Green Bay, New Orleans had to beat St. Louis, Washington had to beat Dallas and Detroit had to win at San Francisco on Monday Night.
This condiment contains both tamarinds and anchovies.
The second longest day of 1995.
"I never met Wayne Collins, but I am who I am because of Wayne Collins."
When Cal Ripken broke Lou Gehrig's streak, this player had the second longest active streak.
This stock exchange doubled in value on Nov. 28, 1983.
He played a main character in prime time in three different decades on three different shows on three different networks (NBC, CBS, and UPN).
This food was provided by a member of the Maivales Order in The Grapes of Wrath. The shortest month in the English calendar.

"I hid in a henhouse for four hours, waiting for a hen to lay an egg."

He threw the fastest pitch of the 1995 World Series.

This state has the most racially integrated schools in the US.
ELVIS OBEISK UNEARTHED AT GREAT PYRAMIDS OF GIZA!
Evidence found that suggests Elvis was worshipped as a sun god; scientists try to decipher obelisk’s runes.

Unscramble each group of letters to form three related items. For each pair of groups, find a fourth item that both groups have in common. Take the corresponding letter from each answer and rearrange these to form the final answer.

1) ADEEEEKLNOORRSSSXYY
AAAAAAACCCDDHIICKLNNNOOOPPPRSSSS

2) ABCCDDDEEEIIKLNORRSTTUYY
ACCEEHILNOOOOPPPPPRSSSTTTZ

3) AEHHIORSSSTUUZ
CCCEHIKKKMOORVY

4) CDEEEEFFIJKLLNNNNOORSY
AAAACCEIIKNNNNOORSSTTUZ

5) BBCEHINOORTT
AAABCEEEHKLLNNOOQRRSTUU

6) EEEEEGLNNOPPPRUYY
ABCEEGILNNNOOORRSSSTTTW
ELVIS, MEDIATOR, SOLVES LABOR Deregulation CRISIS!

At the historic handshake, The King told the public that the problem was simpler than everyone thought.

ACROSS
1 Mosaic tile
5 Wafts, as an aroma
10 Accede to demands
16 Infamous 1960's Emir
17 Glowing
18 With frayed ends
19 Small apartments?
20 Miss America's tiara?
21 Foment
22 It's patently obvious!
25 Motor oil
26 Uses a Louisville slugger
27 Biblical arks?
28 Tread lightly
30 Skim off the top
32 Implement resembling an awl
35 Fasten again
39 Former pitcher for the Houston Astros
41 Acreage division
44 Patriot Ethan
45 Dialled 911
46 It's as plain as the nose on your face!
49 Earth's basalt layer
50 Faerie's glade
51 Asks a question
52 Rise up
53 Gruñer or gouda
55 A ton of bricks?
56 Teeny-tiny
57 Pit viper
61 Rarely seen
63 Safely tucked away
66 Use the day
67 It's rather straightforward!
71 Potty trains?
72 Rayon thread
74 Aged, as wine
75 Border collie
76 Distribute allotments
77 Cool Hand Luke character
78 Hosted a party
79 Sugar beets
80 "Lean on me"

DOWN
1 Tea kettle
2 Impair
3 A little bit
4 Erse language
5 746 Watts
6 Displaying agility
7 Flays (as a chicken)
8 Toro product
9 Swab the deck
10 Give affirmation
11 Crooked politician
12 Le per d'Albert Camus
13 Four eyes?
14 The lion's den?
15 Daylight savings time abbr.
16 In the nude
17 Vainglorious
18 USAir Arena and CoreStates Spectrum, e.g.
19 Prominent Stanley Cup name
20 Overdoses on heroin
21 Kenya
32 Book often found near an atlas
33 Shipwreck
34 Mother lodes
36 Oktoberfest, for one
37 Ate like a pig
38 Shogun character
39 Fresh air
40 African safari
41 In the batter's box
42 Charo, for one
43 Treat with resin
44 "Duets"
45 "Old"
47 "I Tch!"
50 Forgiveness
52 Fauxpas
53 Miniskirt
54 Forevermore
56 Teased hair
58 Prague site
59 Eureka?
60 Turn red
61 Elevate as if on stilts
62 Bert or Ernie, e.g.
63 Stylish elegance
64 On foot
65 Common fonts (that often have serifs)
67 Sal Mineo and Sally Field
68 Grab bags?
69 Hale
70 Separate with a wall
71 "I Tch!"
72 Kangaroo's cousin
SAYS ROSS PEROT: "I CAN'T BELIEVE ELVIS SNUBBED ME!"

King prefers life in solitude to public service with crackpot.
GAMES WORLD OF PUZZLES ADVERTISES MIRACLE ELVIS LOTION!

Subscriptions jump 400 percent overnight; editors' carpal tunnel syndrome is alleviated.

There is an answer buried somewhere in the January Games World of Puzzles. It is not in the Answers section. It is not arbitrarily hidden. When you find it, you will know you've found it.
SANTA HAD ROUGH TOBOGGAN ACCIDENT; ELVIS DELIVERS TOYS IN HIS STEAD!

Kids note similarities: nose like a cherry, mouth drawn up like a bow, eyes that twinkled, and of course the similar laugh.

Tan (11)
Bright Pink (8)
Pale Pink (7)
Maroon (6)
Black (5)
Light Orange (6)
Purple (10)
AFTER WINNING OSCAR, GOTTLIBE CITRS ACTING COACH ELVIS AS HIS INSPIRATION!

He then proceeded to mumble a completely incoherent speech (transcript below) and drop the statuette on his foot.

This is a variety cryptic crossword. For basic instructions on how to solve cryptic clues, see GWOP page 57. For more detailed instructions, see the puzzlemasters. Clues are given in the order (a-d) in which they appear in the grid. Each row or column contains 2, 3, or 4 entries, some of which are proper names, abbreviations, and two-word phrases. The grid is basic, with two exceptions: 1) Some rows and columns do not contain thirteen letters. You will need to add black squares to the grid, but not necessarily between words. They may appear anywhere in the grid except in the columns labeled A-E. 2) The words and phrases in columns A-E are clueled. Each of these columns contains 2 or 3 entries, totaling 12. These 12 entries and the answer all share a common relationship. (Note that the answer is not the relationship.)

Across
1a) Types of black jewels originally set wrong
b) Whaler captain is a Canadien, for short
2a) Army chief bombed a cult for real
b) Cutting back heart of Medicare
c) Computer part back up after onset of crash
3a) Burn most of pie, perhaps
b) Fringeless couch covered by failing pendulum owner?
4a) Oven melted link
b) Tasteless act cast at Frankfort locale
c) Dad tenses first androgynous character
5a) Small piece of coconut initially imparted on child...
b) ...regardless of bad seed swallowing peach center
6a) Recessive and dominant gene carrier
b) Jockey is running through Riviera
c) Nouveau riche accepting debut of dynamics lecturer
7a) Overturn core of verdict after bit of unlawful enclosure
b) Coming around, I reserved opening for place to get married
8a) Speed away without piece of tugboat anchor
b) Pitching effort obtained commercial deal
9a) Help Cuban revolutionary fit for a belt
b) Finish off sink down in Hell’s kitchen
10a) Psychedelic lights seem distant at first
b) Dodge model’s butt
c) Warily rejected it with embarrassment
11a) What the Rangers play on: diamonds
b) Lab assistant stuffing rigorously
b) Spelling show is live for the audience
d) Heard slat shed item
12a) Senator Wilder is from Oslo
b) Observed 7 minus 5
c) Wings star auditioned seven times a week
13a) Mark writings with green markers at the edges of page 50
b) A lot of respect for first name in cosmetics

OWN
a) The man’s partner -- almost stylish
b) Nice people call us this fresh out loud
c) Suitor’s murmurs about love and ring

2a) Spartan character hugs Muhammad and others
b) Thinks those that answer don’t have notes
3a) Headless president is back
b) Run, finally, in the endless last inning
c) A good sampling of eternity!
4a) Rich do lead poorly
b) Tab the soccer player ultimately for a team to impress
5a) Hurt a head of cattle; herd lacks resistance
b) Half of liberals (close to fifty) printed defamation
6a) Redneck cut the head off fox
b) Peaceful scene lacking conclusion of tragic, gripping medical drama
7a) Psyche’s love receptacle (part of the psyche)
b) Familiar bum had to split by end of recital
8a) Pull crackers filled with Greek cheese up for meal portion
b) Spy decapitated for audience’s approval
IN UTOPIA, NOSTRADAMUS PREDICTS BISEXUALITY AND ELVIS MUSIC!
His prophesies indicate that in the future, people will not only go both ways, they will go all four ways.

In this grid, answers start at their corresponding number and may proceed up, down, left, or right (but not diagonally.) Answers are entered in a straight line.

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1) Sucker  
2) Risk  
3) Land of Kings and Giants  
4) Kingdom  
5) Carried  
6) ___ Tin Tin  
7) Excessive adoration  
8) Art songs  
9) Kind of statesman  
10) Astaire film  
11) Perplex  
12) Kitchen garbage  
13) What #82 liked with his bananas  
14) Eros or Chiron  
15) Acchy  
16) Seeded, like Wimbledon  
17) Where Toledo is  
18) #82's birthplace  
19) Golf shot  
20) 1996 Clinton rival  
21) Org.  
22) Blake Edwards film  
23) Loud  
24) Michelangelo work  
25) Man of the cloth  
26) Summer quencher  
27) Banishment  
28) Mean-spirited  
29) Plastic ___ Band  
30) Three points  
31) However  
32) End a dominatrix session  
33) Gangster  
34) Quantity  
35) Suit  
36) Part of QED  
37) Domesticated  
38) Grayson portrait  
39) His or hers item  
40) With #49, #82's one-time son-in-law  
41) Kate Moss, for one  
42) Unappetizing Diet?  
43) Where Brendan Fraser was defrosted  
44) Shakespearean sprite  
45) Wet  
46) Winona's Reality Bites costar  
47) Belgian city  
48) Like Sugarloaf right now  
49) See #40  
50) Hairstyle  
51) Parthenon feature  
52) Respiratory spasm  
53) Elizabeth's house  
54) Soft cheese  
55) Irate  
56) Interest type  
57) Ovid, e.g.  
58) Booty  
59) Fast flyer  
60) A point in hockey  
61) ___ Cola  
62) First note of a scale  
63) Poses  
64) Half the distance under the sea?  
65) Richie song "___ You"  
66) "Klondike Annie" star  
67) "Battle Hymn of the Republic" lyricist  
68) Street sport  
69) Arias  
70) Building support  
71) Rock formation  
72) Make do (with out)  
73) Heads out on the ranch?  
74) First note of a scale  
75) About 20 thousand years ago  
76) Homer's haunt  
77) Teutonic  
78) It can have one arm  
79) Eric's boy  
80) Blotto  
81) Salon workers  
82) Server of Perfectly Normal Beast in Mostly Harmless  
83) Take back  
84) Caesar's tenth  
85) Milk container  
86) #82's home  
87) Warm (but not particularly fuzzy) feeling  
88) Lively  
89) Walter O'Reilly  
90) Type of cowboy  
91) Irk  
92) Most disgusting  
93) ___ podrida  
94) Capone's feature
SHARK DETACHES ANCHOR; ELVIS' YACHT DRIFTS INTO FREAK TROPICAL ICEBERG!

No one knows how the iceberg traveled to Tahiti, but scientists agree prehistoric shark was defrosted by temperate waters.
A list of related items has been encoded by replacing each letter with its occurrence in alphabetical order. A repeated number indicates a repeated letter. For example, the word "example" would be written "2 6 1 4 5 3 2". The numbers will not usually represent the same letter in successive words. The items are listed below in alphabetical order. Each item has at least one letter in common with the preceding and following items. These letters are marked by bold print and underlining. When you have translated the list, write the list of bolded letters in alphabetical order (there are 47 letters, counting each letter only once for each pair of items it occurs in) and then take the 6th, 11th, 16th, 23rd, 25th, 32nd, 33rd, 34th and 43rd letters of this sequence and rearrange them to form the final answer.

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ELVIS CREDITS LONGEVITY AND PAN-DIMENSIONAL VISION TO EATING SPAM IN OUTER SPACE!

"But only if it's fried," The King said.

This is a four-dimensional puzzle. Take the 135 3-letter words, names, and abbreviations (ignore capitalization and punctuation) and construct five 3x3x3 word cubes. (Envision three word squares stacked on top of one another.) To illustrate, get a die and position it so the 6 is on top and the 4 faces you. Nine words read from the 6 face to the 1 face, nine words go from 2 to 5, and nine go from 3 to 4. (You could also use the perspective 6 to 1, 2 to 5, and 4 to 3; it will work the same. Just be consistent.) Each word is used only once. When you have done this, if you arrange the cubes in a certain order, a word will read through the five center squares of the cubes. This fourth-dimensional word is the answer.

ABA, act, ade, ads, aft, ago, AKA, Ali, ALS, AMA, ape, arc, Ari, asp, ATF, Ava, aye
bow
Cal, cap, ccs, Che, CPA, CPU, CSN, ctr., cue
DDE, DEA, Dem., DIR, dis, Dre
EEC, egg, elk, Eno, ERA, ESP, Esq., ess, ETA, etc., ete, ETs, ewe

gam, GDP, gel, gnu, GOP, GPA, GTE
HUD, Hun
ice, IDs, ilk, imp, ink, inn, Ito, I've
jam, jot, JPL

las, led, Lee, lid, Lon
man, MCI, mho, MIA, Mir, mix, MRI
Nam, NEC, NSA, nth
obi, Oct., odd, old, ole, OPP, opt, ore, owe
pad, pal, PDQ, per, Pez, PGA, Poe, pot, pro, pun, put
QED
ran, Rea, RNA, Roc
sap, sea, see, shy, ska
tad, tap, tax, Tia, 'tis, TMC, TNT, toe, Tom, toy, tsk, tsp
UFO, Uno, USA, use, Uzi
vie

XTC

zag, zap, zip, Zoe
VIRTUAL FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH GOES HAYWIRE; ELVIS TRAPPED IN GOSSAMER CHILDHOOD!

"But at least he seems to be having a really good time," mad scientist offers.

For this puzzle, cut out and assemble the five blocks. Then arrange them in a line such that the four five-square faces read a message. The letters on the outside edges are extraneous. Disregard capitalization and penmanship.

Arrange the cubes to form a clue to a six-letter word.
TWO MIT STUDENTS CLAIM ELVIS WAS THEIR 6.001 TA!

When questioned, the students replied, "Huh huh. You said T and A."

It is a little known fact that Elvis has well-to-do relations in England - wealthy noblemen who can trace their lineage all the way back to King Richard the Lion-Hearted. They are particularly proud of one parcel of land which has been in the Presley family for quite some time, a perfectly rectangular plot of ground called, surprisingly enough, Graceland-on-Avon. In 1939, which just so happens to be the year of this puzzle, it was owned by one Lord Presley who, as legend has it, was very fond of sequined jumpsuits. Solve the clues, take the numbers in the shaded boxes, find their equivalent letters (A=1, B=2, etc...), and rearrange the letters to form a common word.

Across

1) Area in square yards of Graceland-on-Avon.
5) Age of Priscilla, Lord Presley’s aunt.
6) Difference in yards between the length and width of Graceland-on-Avon.
7) Number of roods in Graceland-on-Avon times 8 down.
8) The year the Presleys acquired Graceland-on-Avon.
10) Lord Presley’s age.
11) Year of Lisa’s birth.
14) Perimeter in yards of Graceland-on-Avon.
15) Cube of Lord Presley’s walking speed in mph.
16) 15 across minus 9 down.

Down

1) Value in shillings per rood of Graceland-on-Avon.
2) Square of the age of Lord Presley’s mother-in-law.
3) Age of Lisa, Lord Presley’s daughter.
4) Value in pounds of Graceland-on-Avon.
6) Age of Michael, Lord Presley’s son, who is twice the age of his sister Lisa in 1945.
7) Square of the width in yards of Graceland-on-Avon.
8) Time in minutes it takes Lord Presley to walk 1 1/3 times around Graceland-on-Avon.
9) The number which, when multiplied by 10 across, gives 10 down.
10) See 9 down.
12) Sum of the digits of 10 down plus 1.
13) Number of years Graceland-on-Avon has been in the Presley family.
"UNDER ORDERS FROM ELVIS, I TORCHED THE CHURCH ON TUESDAY NIGHT!"

Arsonist confined in sanitarium; police investigate suspicious bingo cards.

The bingo cards below are really word squares, where the same words read across and down. Clues to the thirty-five words are given; it is up to you to place them in the correct squares. When the seven bingo cards are arranged in their appropriate order, the FREE spaces spell out the answer word.

According to The Passengers, he ate America
Age: as fruit
Alan Ladd’s ’53 title role
Aluminum and tin
Angered
Bakers’ appliances
Calamata, e.g.
Carroll described how to hunt one
Cattaraugus County Building locale
Court employee, for short
Daughter of Themis
Dumnkopf

Followers
French painter of “The Bridge at Nantes”...
...and the river pictured in it
Head Silver Bullet
High-strung
Hint of color
Jousting weapon
Little women
Long, narrow mountaintop
Mathematical assertion
Not bacterial
Out of bed

Penguins’ #2
Popular blue line stop
Razz
Release from bondage
San Diego Chargers, to Chris Berman
“Soul Cages” artist
Style of bell-bottoms and clogs
Talk show host and yo-yo dieter
Tennis star Monica
Uses ostrich feathers
Word with city or tube
"I DON'T CONTROL LEDGERS," ACCOUNTANT SAYS. "ELVIS DOES IT FOR ME!"

His wife tried to contact him at the convention located at the KOA Memphis-Graceland, but she lost the phone number. All she had was the area code, a specific word, and the following division problems.
ELVIS TO MACHIAVELLI: LIGHTEN UP; YOU'RE TOO UPTIGHT!

The King's words of wisdom: "For the world to be at peace, we need to assemble the pieces of the world."

Using the trigrams below, assemble 15 words (3 trigrams per word) and put them in alphabetical order.

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DRA  ENT  ESH  ETR  EVA  FOR  HEL  HER  ICO  IMB  INO  IOS
IUM  LIT  LYC  MAR  MIC  NGE  NST  OGL  ONE  OVE  PAR  PTR
RDU  RET  RFI  RIM  RSU  RUM  SEE  SPO  UPE
BATTLE ON OLYMPUS: BOTH EROS AND ELVIS CLAIM THE THRONE OF LOVE!

"He may think he's the king, but he's not," Eros said disdainfully. "Besides, I was here first."
"FORD JUMPSUITS, VELCRO'S SO VERY USEFUL," ELVIS' TAILOR ATTESTS!
"Whenever he puts on another twenty pounds, I can just let the suit out without any sewing whatsoever, and I do so adore the velcro sound," he adds.

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OBLIMACRPECYHNNOEVE
AIICESDDTSTROIOROFM
KANTICBADAXEDNARCA
THOHLLUMGVTJEAYOH
IDMSOXRSAETHESWVEQ
MBLAPUKENBRDESBAS
RETCARAHCSDILLOFYV
RSDDIIITEOANRTRAN
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LAGCGRGEAOLLCOHOT
NJAROELRHTTEAUNNGO
EYAUHNLKUETCIEWISSI
VECTREATSTOZORCHAE
EHSGCVHTOVNRANAVPI
CTAOVRECEHVOBKYPNO
VNOITAZINAGEMCBUER

Alphabet
Anticlimax
Basque bêchamel
Charlie Brown
Convict organization
Damn Yankees
Delta Burke
Foxtrot character
Frasier radio station
"Gary, Indiana"
George Papadopolis
Godel tangential phase theory
Golf shot [Eleven]
Kilimanjaro
Kilojoule
Mandarin dialect
Mike Ditka
Navy uniform
"November Rain"
Oscar the Grouch
Pacino's Carlito's Way
Papaya
Romeo and Juliet

Shaka Zulu
Sierra Nevada
Tango and Cash
"The chosen one"
"Thrill of victory"
Treasure of the Sierra Madre
Victor/Victoria
Whiskey sour
White chocolate
X-ray specs
Zebra (Volapük)
MASS GEN-OCIDE! BOSTON'S ILL ARE EUTHANIZED
BY KERVORKIAN & ELVIS!

Bizarre patient charts are found at the scene; doctors are baffled and horrified.

The first part of this puzzle is a Paint-by-Numbers. Instructions for this type of puzzle can be found in the January GWOP. The second part of the puzzle is a jigsaw.

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NEW ORLEANS VICE COP: "I ATE MORE THAN ELVIS IN 1986!"

Officer believes the secret to gorging is finding the proper dining music.

This puzzle is found on the audio cassette. Identify each song and fill in the blanks with the proper name of the song followed by the full name of the artist or group that recorded it. The comedy bit that follows is for amusement purposes only.
ELVIS SLIPS THROUGH WORMHOLE; IS IMPRISONED IN ALTERNATE REALITY!
Experts believe he has fallen backwards in time, but the fat Elvis/thin Elvis debate rages on.
ELVIS TO LIP-SYNC HOLE; RANTING COURTNEY LOVE VOWS SHE'LL SUE!

"He's just trying to jump on the grunge bandwagon. Too bad for him it's already out of style," Eddie Vedder says.

This puzzle will be explained and passed out at 7 pm Friday in Lobby 7. BE THERE!!

Archivist's Note: This puzzle was handed out at some type of event where teams could choose to “cooperate” or “defect”. Depending on their choice, they were given a different number of clues (the top row in each of the blocks below). The puzzle below was given out to the “defecting” teams.

AD IN WI HJ MA DB EA NO NE ND RS VE TE NA MI TE WI HO T UEAWYDAILCBAEQSPWXTQOAADJBKMYZVTJHOPJYCYFNXCSKLUZEXGF

PRE TO GU RD AN IR T E T R F H R S I N L H B T R A C N YBE X M C W F K P J X NSGLRJLNUSCNNSALCZXLKKBPBQXKZBNKIGEVGHRQS
THE BIG BOPPER, JIM CROCE, AND ELVIS FOUND RUNNING A PIZZA HUT IN BEIRUT!

Their back room is a virtual treasure trove of the priceless "lost" Barbie collectibles.

The following is an open-ended Scattergories-type scavenger hunt. The five spaces at the top of the chart will be filled with the first five non-repeating letters of your team's name. If your team doesn't have enough letters, the letters E, L, V, I, and S, in that order will be appended to the end of your team name. In the scavenger hunt, creativity and humor are more important than finding obscure stuff. For each of the 35 boxes, bring us an item fitting the description of the row and beginning with the letter of the column. Each box you accomplish successfully gets you one point. If you bring an object that has a two-word name with both words beginning with the column letter (Toyota Tercel for "Car," for instance), you will get two points. You can get three points for an object, but you may achieve this only once, and not with a substitution. You may use any or all of the substitutions (once each) in the chart in place of a row category for a specific letter. If you don't have a bribe that begins with Z, you can bring a faculty member instead, but his/her name must begin with Z. You must gather 35 points to succeed; there is no partial credit. (You can't get some of the answer for having 30 points.) Please do not bring your items to us until you have enough points. Decision of the judges is final. All objects will be returned except for one of your enticing bribes (of your choice).

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Possible substitutions:
1) Something marked "not for individual resale" (or equivalent phrase)
2) A word mispelled by the publisher in a hardcover book
3) An MIT Faculty member
4) A 6-panel comic strip featuring a superhero you invented and his/her/its superpower

*Actual in this case means "fake"
ELVIS: CONCEITED PRIG OR GERIATRIC GEEZER? THE SUPREME COURT DECIDES!

The vote could go either way; Souter appears to be the deciding factor.

Senior's grade; Dole's group
Pakistani language; Seedless orange
Piano-playing Muppet; Fischer and K2
Pure
Bacteria food, often; Soda with "bite"
Praise; Blue-green
What Oklahoma is; Sioux City newspaper
"Gold" recorders; Draw McGraw
Mosquito bite reaction; Goal and penalty
0, on a switch; Not subject to (with from)
Korea has one; Lays eggs
Mourning; VCR maker
What Fozzie ain't got; JFK is its hub
Chronicles follower; Recent froshes
Metamorphoses author; Daisy's uncle
Belize's neighbor; Rush instrumental
Oriole with 6 triples in 1996
Red-faced; Daphne's character
Natalie's TekWar character; Cell apparatus
Romany; Do seen in Shaft
Fair
Organ with an alt. group; 42nd St. sign
Actress Anna; Pinafore; e.g.
Irish rock guitarist; Dutch-speaking island
Wile E.'s supplier; Pitcher Dean
ELVIS TRAVELS TO PEACE TALKS AS DELEGATE OF SWITZERLAND!

Is seen as a "knight in shining armor" by the participating countries, but will he be on time?

As a semi-arbitrary reference date, take January 30, 1996 to be the day this puzzle takes place.

Each clock display is in the morning (after midnight and before noon).

EX:  
Salem, MA

Houston, TX  
Kermit, TX

Franklin, TN  
Cedar City, UT  
Garner, NC  
Espanola, NM

Nevada, MO  
Douglas, AZ  
Rapid City, SD  
Woodbine, GA

Shelton, WA  
Plymouth, IN  
Ephrata, WA  
Lakeland, FL
ELVIS' SIAMESE CAT DISCOVERS IONIZED PRESLEYIUM ON THE MOON!
Nobel laureate feline has a brain comparable to Einstein's when he was twelve, experts say.
TA ELVIS' END-OF-TERM ORAL IS TRAVESTY, ACCORDING TO STUDENTS!
Tests were mutilated, desecrated, and flung back at the proctors. Paper cuts hospitalized five.
ELVIS NABBED AFTER SCALING ROUND SPHERE ATOP GREEN BUILDING!

Hailed as a hero by college hackers everywhere, Elvis played a round of Tetris before the CPs got him.

We're playing Tetris on the Green building. After any scene, the block at the top is placed, then two more are placed and dropped, then as the next block starts to fall, another picture was taken. You must put the pictures in order, so you are really looking for the 1st, 4th, 7th, etc. scenes in the actual sequence. To throw you off, there are three decoy pictures that will not be used. When you are done, advance the letter with picture 1 one place in the alphabet, the letter with picture 2 two places, etc.
PRESIDENT CLINTON: "I'D LIKE TO MEET GOD, OR, IF I COULD, ELVIS!"

When given the choice between the two, Clinton equated them. "Talking to one is just like talking to the other," he said.
ELVIS' ANOREXIC LOVER SAVED BY THE KING'S MIRACLE DRUGS!

Home-made remedies are always the best, say Berkeley pharmacological experts.

Below are a set of Elvis' pill bottles, each three squares long. Each bottle contains a different number of pills between 1 and 20 inclusive. The numbers around the grid represent the total number of pills in the bottles in that row or column. When the grid is complete, read down the middle column for the answer...
ELVIS A TROJAN? "I TORTURED HIM MYSELF," SAYS 4000-YEAR-OLD SPARTAN!

Without further prompting, the Spartan expounded on a wealth of useless knowledge, so we left.
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PSYCHIC RAY ON SATURN REVEALS TO OPRAH THAT 87% OF THE LITERATURE CLASSICS WERE ORIGINALLY ABOUT ELVIS!

Various censors and Cigarette-smoking Men edited them for "our own good and well-being." Below are the originals.

Each excerpt was taken from a famous and widely-read book. Identify the book and locate the passages.
(In the versions you’re familiar with, the character names have probably been changed and the stories are no longer about Elvis.)

The King had taken the opportunity afforded him of changing his riding robe for one of yet more costly materials, over which he wore a cope curiously embroidered. Besides the massive golden signet ring which marked his ecclesiastical dignity, his fingers, though contrary to the canon, were loaded with precious gems; his sandals were of the finest leather which was imported from Spain; his beard trimmed to as small dimensions as his order would possibly permit, and his shaven crown concealed by a scarlet cap richly embroidered.

Having won twenty guineas at whist, and taken leave of his friends, Elvis Presley, at twenty-five minutes past seven, left the Reform Club.
Priscilla, who had conscientiously studied the program of her duties, was more than surprised to see her husband guilty of the inexactness of appearing at this unaccustomed hour; for, according to rule, he was not due in Graceland until precisely midnight.
Mr. Presley repaired to his bedroom, and called out, "Priscilla!"
Priscilla did not reply. It could not be she who was called; it was not the right hour.

The pig-run kept close to the jumble of rocks that lay down by the water on the other side and Priscilla was content to follow Elvis along it. If you could shut your ears to the slow suck down of the sea and boil of the return, if you could forget how dun and unvisited were the ferry converts on either side, then there was a chance that you might put the beast out of mind and dream for a while. The sun had swung over the vertical and the afternoon heat was closing in on the island. Priscilla passed a message forward to Elvis and when they next came to fruit the whole party stopped and ate.

The day after the battle with the spiders Elvis and the impersonators made one last despairing effort to find a way out before they died of hunger and thirst. They got up and staggered on in the direction which eight out of the thirteen of them guessed to be the one in which they had lain, but they never found out if they were right. Such day as there ever was in the forest was fading once more into the blackness of night, when suddenly out sprang the light of many torches all round them, like hundreds of red stars.

While Miss Presley moped about the park and garden, always silent, and almost always in tears; and her brother shut himself up among books that he never opened — wearying, I guessed, with a continual vague expectation that Lisa-Marie, repenting her conduct, would come of her own accord to ask pardon, and seek a reconciliation, and she Fastened pertinaciously, under the idea, probably, that at every meal, Elvis was ready to choke for her absence, and pride alone held him from running to cast himself at her feet: I went about my household duties, convinced that Graceland had but one sensible soul in its walls, and that lodged in my body.

That night at supper, Elvis went through the motions of presiding over the table in the Colonel's absence, but his mind was in a ferment over the dreadful news he had heard about Michael and Lisa-Marie. Desperately he longed for the Colonel's return from the Slatteries'. for, without him, he felt lost and alone. What right had the Slatteries and their everlasting sickness to take Col. Parker away from home just at this time when he, Elvis, needed him so much?

Elvis trudged on down the corridor, still moaning.
"And then of course I've got this terrible pain in all the sequins down my left-hand side..."
"No?" said Col. Parker grimly as he walked along beside him. "Really?"
"Oh yes," said Elvis. "I mean I've asked for them to be replaced but no one ever listens."
"I can imagine."
ELVIS WARNS THAT WIND AND COLD ERODE OUR PRECIOUS RESOURCES; CALLS FOR GLOBAL WARMING!

"It's just because I care about the little people," The King said.

Across

Adulation
Chromosome components
Did lawn work
Dusk to dawn
Greet from afar
Like 60 paper
Makes coffee
Mechanical repetition
Noticed
Perfectly vertical
Rope
Slothlike
Took Fluffy to the vet?
Tousled

Down

_and dined
Black and Red, e.g.
Excessive
Hilltop specialty
Jeweler's eyepiece
Made a mistake
Portion
References
Rung
Seat for Elizabeth
Silver, e.g.
Sunbathes
Wine feature
Youth lodge

Umm... We Forgot

Assistant
Beauty's name
Circle segment
Cradle support?
Green and black, e.g.
Hit the lanes
Is painful
Lengthened
Liquid frost?
More (than)
Roof overhang
Secret store
Smoked salmon
Statuary head
If you look closely, you will see that one of these coins is not the mystery hunt coin.